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SUBJECT: EXPORT ADMINISTRATION - BULK LICENSES

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1. CITED RESTRAINTS PLACED ON EXPORTS TO SOUTH AFRICAN AND SWAFRICAN COMPANIES RECEIVING COMPUTERS UNDER COMMERCE'S BULK LICENSING PROCEDURES, I.E. DISTRIBUTION LICENSE, WAREHOUSING PROCEDURE, SERVICE SUPPLY LICENSE AND SERVICE FACILITY, WERE INAUGARATED TO PREVENT ANOMALOUS SITUATION WHERE EXPORTS UNDER INDIVIDUAL VALIDATED LICENSES OF SUCH GOODS COULD BE AFFORDED INTERAGENCY REVIEW IN THE LIGHT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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US POLICIES, E.G. ANTI-APARTHEID AND OPPOSITION TO NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION, WHEREAS EXPORTS UNDER BULK LICENSES COULD NOT BE SO REVIEWED. ALTHOUGH COMPUTER EQUIPMENT IN QUESTION IS FOR THE MOST PART OF A RELATIVELY LOW LEVEL, INCREASING USG CONCERN OVER EXPORTS FOR MILITARY, POLICE OR NUCLEAR FUEL PROCESSING PURPOSES CALLED FOR THIS MEASURE.

2. US EXPORTERS ARE BEING ADVISED HERE THAT THEIR CUSTOMERS WHO RESELL TO OTHER DISTRIBUTORS ARE EXPECTED TO USE ALL REASONABLE MEANS TO COMPLY WITH THE ASSURANCES.

3. UPON RECEIPT OF ASSURANCES FROM EACH CUSTOMER, IT IS INTENDED THAT BULK LICENSING SHIPMENTS TO CUSTOMER FOR OTHER THAN PURPOSES NAMED IN REFTEL WILL BE IMMEDIATE AUTHORIZED. PERSEUS HAS ALREADY SUBMITTED ASSURANCES TO AT LEAST TWO US EXPORTERS, SO THESE WILL BE APPROVED. COMPANY HAS MANY US CONTACTS AND SHOULD SUPPLY ASSURANCES TO EACH ONE AS REQUESTED.

4. STATE 273328 TO PRETORIA ENTITLED "NUCLEAR RELATED EXPORTS TO SOUTH AFRICA "IS NOW BEING REPEATED TO AMCONSULS SINCE IT CASTS LIGHT ON NUCLEAR POLICY. ROBINSON

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